STATE OF TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 187

HOUSE BILL NO. 2270

By Representatives Armstrong, Mike Turner, Williams, Favors, Hardaway

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2264

By Senators Kyle, Ford, Stewart, Faulk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 40, Part 4, relative to the Tennessee center for diabetes prevention and health improvement.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-40-403(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:
 - (a) The Tennessee center for diabetes prevention and health improvement is hereby established as an agency of the state. The center shall be attached to the department of health for administrative purposes.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-40-403(c), is amended by deleting subdivisions (1) and (2) in their entirety and substituting instead the following:
 - (1) Grants to schools through the district office of local education agencies across the state, to be used exclusively for programs promoting the understanding and prevention of diabetes. Grant requests must contain specific information about how the school will spend the funds and how such spending promotes the understanding and prevention of diabetes. Grant recipients shall be required to provide the center quarterly reports of the results of their program; and
 - (2) Grants to providers of primary and specialty health care services related to the treatment of pre-diabetes and diabetes. All community and faith-based organizations, regional and county health departments, clinics, public entities and other for-profit and not-for-profit health-related service providers are eligible to apply in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision (c)(2). In order to be eligible for a grant, an entity shall demonstrate evidence of financial stability, utilize evidence-based practices and show measurable results in its programs. The center shall establish the grant criteria and make award decisions. In distributing the grants, the center shall strive to create a coordinated state-wide set of resources to assist Tennesseans in their efforts to prevent or treat diabetes.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 23, 2009

KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 7th day of May 2009

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR